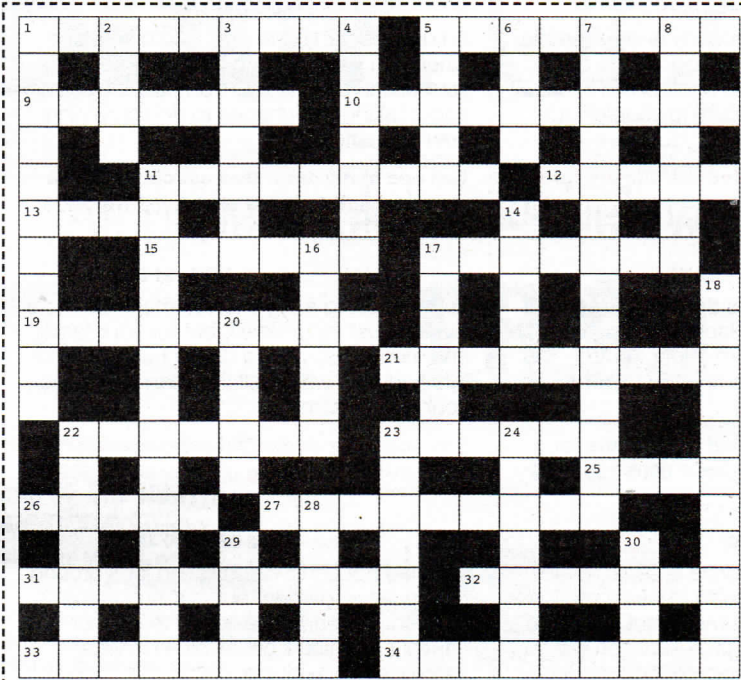


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ACROSS

- 1 The art of decorating a surface with shapes or illustrations cut from paper, card, etc (9)
- 5 Large, powerful, short-haired dogs (8)
- 9 To delete or erase; blot out, obliterate (7)
- 10 A filmed audition of a prospective actor to assess suitability (6,4)
- 11 _ cord, the long flexible tube connecting an unborn baby with the placenta (9)
- 12 A wickerwork trap for catching lobsters, etc (5)
- 13 In the first book of the Old Testament, the first son of Adam and Eve (4)
- 15 Solid carbon dioxide, used as a refrigerant and to create smoke in stage shows (3,3)
- 17 A drain or covered channel that crosses under a road, railway, etc (7)
- 19 Hallways or passages connecting parts of a building (9)
- 21 A person who accepts bets as an occupation, especially on horseraces (9)
- 22 The place where one registers arrival at an airport, etc (5-2)
- 23 Indira __, Prime Minister of India 1966-77 & 1980-84 (6)
- 25 Knife __, a critical point in the development of a situation, process of making a decision, etc (4)
- 26 (Of animals and plants) existing in a wild or uncultivated state (5)
- 27 A plant with large, lily-like reddish or white flowers; also called the belladonna lily (9)
- 31 The organised dissemination of information to assist or damage the cause of a government or movement (10)
- 32 A narrow, flat-bottomed boat traditionally used on the canals of Venice (7)
- 33 A detested person or thing (8)
- 34 Dorothy __, African-American performer nominated for the Best Actress Oscar in 1954 (9)

DOWN

- 1 A tier of seats in a theatre, usually the first gallery above the ground floor (5,6)
- 2 In golf, the holes or metal containers in the holes on the greens (4)
- 3 A smooth, medium-length hairstyle with the ends of the hair curled under and a long fringe (7)
- 4 As part of a set; forming a unit (2,5)
- 5 The lead female role in the musical *West Side Story* (5)
- 6 Port in Egypt at the southern end of a major sea-level canal (4)
- 7 People who act as go-betweens or agents between parties (14)
- 8 Steve __, the first person to fly solo nonstop around the world in a balloon and in a fixed-wing aircraft (7)
- 11 Sweep ____, to conceal something, especially a problem, in the hope it will be overlooked by others (5,3,6)
- 14 A group of animals of one kind, especially sheep or birds (5)
- 16 Opera in four acts by Georges Bizet, featuring the *Habanera* and the *Toreador Song* (6)
- 17 Roof or ceiling in the form of a dome (6)
- 18 Vessels such as bowls and pots made of baked clay (11)
- 20 The male of any duck (5)
- 22 In the military, a badge or insignia consisting of one or more V-shaped stripes (7)
- 23 A wreath or festoon of flowers, leaves, etc, worn round the head or neck or hung up (7)
- 24 The thick muscle forming the rounded contour of the outer edge of the shoulder (7)
- 28 In the Old Testament, the miraculous food which sustained the Israelites in the wilderness (Exodus 16:14-36) (5)
- 29 In folklore, a giant who eats human flesh (4)
- 30 European plant, the leaves of which yield a blue dye (4)

SOLUTION FOR MARCH 28

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